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#### **The Culpeper Police Department Welcomes Input from the Community**

The Culpeper Police Department once again is asking the community for their input on police services in the Town of Culpeper. During the month of October, each town resident and business will receive a Town of Culpeper Police Department Community Service Survey included in their October monthly utility billing.

The surveys are expected to arrive in some mailboxes this week. The Culpeper Police Department is asking that all surveys be completed and returned by November 15, 2014. There are multiple ways that citizens can submit their survey:

- Citizens can submit the survey by including the survey in with their utility payment.
- Citizens can mail it separately to the Town of Culpeper at 400 S. Main St., Suite 109 Culpeper, Virginia 22701.
- Or you can personally drop the survey off at the Culpeper Police Department, located at 740 Old Brandy Road Monday through Friday from 7:00am – 5:00pm.

The Culpeper Police Department has conducted this Community Service Survey every three years since 2008. This year's one-page survey is 13 questions and covers areas such as crime reduction efforts, traffic enforcement, to how safe citizens feel in neighborhoods, parks, and business districts. The survey allows citizens and business owners to check topics of major concerns from a list.

The survey also covers basic demographic areas, such as age, race, and sex, however the Culpeper Police Department stresses that all responses can be completely anonymous. Citizens and business owners are not required to leave any personal information on the survey such as name and address.

“We are always looking to improve the ways we provide police services and to ensure that our citizens and businesses receive the best quality of life in terms of public safety.” states Chief Chris Jenkins. “This Community Survey is an anonymous way for our citizens to provide valuable input on what we do well and to let us know the areas where we need to improve on.”

The Culpeper Police Department will use the completed surveys to look for trends throughout the town. These trends will be forwarded to the Chief of Police and to all supervisors of police department. With this information, action plans will be established to deal with publicly perceived problems.

“Your input will also assist the allocation of resources based upon real data from our citizens and business owners. I can’t imagine no other data that is more valuable than from the people that we serve every day” says Chief Jenkins.